

Amendment No. 1 to HB1822

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 2578

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by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 6, Part 10, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) If an LEA offers an Algebra I course to students, then a student who achieves a benchmark score, as determined by the LEA, on the student's seventh grade Tennessee comprehensive assessment program (TCAP) test in mathematics must be enrolled in an Algebra I course in the upcoming school year, if the LEA has space and staff available to enroll the student in an Algebra I course.

(b)

(1) Each LEA shall notify the parent of each student who the LEA has space and staff available to enroll in an Algebra I course in the upcoming school year, and who achieved the benchmark score on the student's seventh grade TCAP test in mathematics, that, based on the student's test score, the parent's student will be enrolled in an Algebra I course in the upcoming school year.

(2) The notice required under subdivision (b)(1) must:

(A) Be provided in writing;

(B) Inform the student's parent that the student must remain enrolled in the Algebra I course unless the student's parent requests, in writing, for the parent's student to be removed from the course; and

(C) Provide the date by which a parent must submit a written request to the LEA to remove the parent's student from the course.

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(c) An LEA shall not remove a student who is enrolled in an Algebra I course under this section from the course unless the student's parent timely submits a request in writing to the LEA asking for the parent's student to be removed from the course.

(d) As used in this section, "parent" means the parent, guardian, person who has custody of the child, or individual who has caregiving authority under § 49-6-3001.

(e) By October 1, 2021, and each October 1 thereafter, the department of education shall submit a report to the education committees of the senate and house of representatives containing data collected by the department on the number and demographics of students qualified, under this section, to enroll in an Algebra I course, and of those students, the number and demographics of the students who were enrolled in an Algebra I course compared with the number and demographics of the students who were not enrolled in an Algebra I course. The report must include information on the type and format of the Algebra I courses offered by each LEA and any feedback received from LEAs on the implementation of this section. Disclosure under this subsection (e) must comply with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) (20 U.S.C. 1232g); § 10-7-504; the Data Accessibility, Transparency and Accountability Act, compiled in chapter 1, part 7 of this title; and all other relevant privacy laws.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it, and shall apply to the 2020-2021 school year and each school year thereafter.